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Dear Sir:

Please add new claims 3 and 4. Please cancel claims 1 and 2. The subject matter of claim 3 is the same as the subject matter of claim 1 and the subject matter of claim 4 is the same as the subject matter of claim 2.

A claim listing follows:

Respectfully submitted,

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